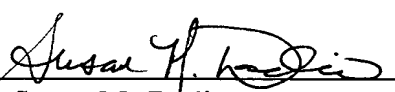


telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

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Page 7, Paragraph Beginning at Line 7

--HGFTEQNSG = [Sequence ID NO: 3] Sequence ID NO:3; RYMDQPSRD =
[Sequence ID NO. 14] Sequence ID NO:14; RYFDQPSRD = [Sequence ID NO. 20]
Sequence ID NO:20; HAVTDYTAG = [Sequence NO. 21] Sequence ID NO:21;
RMSDPAKY = [Sequence NO. 22] Sequence ID NO:22; NGGVHINS = [Sequence
NO. 23] Sequence ID NO:23; VYTPGISGD = [Sequence NO. 24] Sequence ID NO:24;
SYWEEQNTG = [Sequence NO. 25] Sequence ID NO:25; AYSSAPLLD = [Sequence
NO. 26] Sequence ID NO:26; ITFTEVAAG = [Sequence NO. 27] Sequence ID NO:27;
LYGANPSTR = [Sequence NO. 28] Sequence ID NO:28; HYAAAPLLD = [Sequence
NO. 29] Sequence ID NO:29--

Page 24, Paragraph Beginning at Line 14

--**Polyclonal antibody production.** Peptides HGFTEQNSG (Sequence ID NO:3)
(peptide 15) and RYMDQPSRF (Sequence ID NO:14) (PEPTIDE 42) [AND THE SAME
PEPTIDES CONJUGATED TO BOVINE SERUM ALBUMIN] and the same peptides
conjugated to bovine serum albumin (BSA) or keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH) were
synthesized by the Alberta Peptide Institute, Edmonton, Canada. Conjugates were
prepared for immunization as suggested by the manufacturer. The BSA conjugates were
prepared in complete Freund's adjuvant and 0.5 ml containing 0.1 mg of either peptide 15-
BSA or peptide 42-BSA was injected in each thigh of two New Zealand white rabbits.

Rabbits immunized with peptide 42-BSA were boosted with intramuscular injections of peptide in incomplete Freund's three times at bi-weekly intervals. Rabbits immunized with peptide 15-BSA were given two additional boosts as test bleeds indicated lower titres.

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25. (Amended) An antibody specific for a peptide selected from the group consisting of

- (a) VSHGFTEQNSGLIYRGQSGGMNEAF (Sequence ID NO:1);
- (b) SGALRYMDQPSRDGRSIDM (Sequence ID NO:11);
- (c) HGFTEQNSG (Sequence ID NO:3);
- (d) RYMDQPSRD (Sequence ID NO:4); and
- (e) a fragment or [analogue] conservative amino acid substitution variant of a peptide of (a), (b), (c) or (d).



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